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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Takeyoshi SHIBASAKI et al.

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

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SIR:

Responsive to the notification dated May 8, 2002, and in accordance with the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 371, Applicants submit herewith a Declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b).

The required surcharge was paid at the time of filing the application.

Applicants wish to advise the U.S. PCT Designated Office that the International Application Number which was typed on Applicants' PCT Transmittal Letter filed February 20, 2002 is incorrect. The correct International Application number of this application is PCT/JP01/05252. Applicants regret this inadvertent error. It is noted that all papers which accompanied the PCT Transmittal Letter filed February 20, 2002 correctly recited the International Application number as PCT/JP01/05252. Therefore, the requirement that Applicants file a copy of the International Application should be withdrawn.

A substitute PCT Transmittal Letter is also submitted herewith for the purpose of correcting the International Application Number.

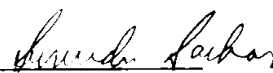
In light of the foregoing, this application is deemed to be in proper condition for examination and such favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Our check in the amount of \$-0.00- is attached hereto. If any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the required Government fee, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated Office (37 CFR 1.494):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Information Disclosure Statements
- Preliminary Amendments
- Request for Immediate Examination

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Copy of International Application, which includes a copy of the Request Form, submitted to the International Bureau. Prior to publication by the International Bureau, the applicant is responsible for providing copies of IB papers to USPTO.
- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.

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